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Cost Of Gain On Heavy Steers Sixty-Six Percent Higher

(Ed. Note: This background material is being issued in response to requests by cattle industry representatives who attended a meeting of leaders of the livestock, poultry and general farm organizations at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Dec. 7 to discuss ways of averting a threatened overexpansion in production of livestock products next year.)

* Plentiful supplies of feed this winter will be translated into burdensome market supplies next year, if cattle feeders respond as they have to similar conditions in the past and feed to heavy weights

* Such feeding to heavy weights usually is a false economy for the cattlemen, and creates price problems as well

* Cost of gains go up sharply as livestock are fed to heavier weights Many livestock feeders are not aware of how much these additional pounds really cost them.

Both Feed and Other Costs Increase for Larger Animals

Data published by the Committee on Animal Nutrition of the National Research Council show a substantial drop in the feed conversion efficiency for a yearling steer in a feedlot as the weight increases past 1000 pounds In addition, the nonfeed costs such as death loss, labor, overhead, etc. averages markedly higher per pound of gain for each additional pound of gain put on heavier animals.

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County Tobacco Show To Be Held Jan. 11

The Lancaster County Tobacco Show will be held on Thursday afternoon, Jan 11, starting at 12:30 p m., according to M M Smith and Arnold G. Lueck, agricultural extension agents. The place will be the Bayuk Cigar Company, 850 N. Water St., Lancaster (located just south from Liberty St. near the Armstrong Cork Company plant. Enter the building on the east side of N. Water St. at the loading platform. The FFA tobacco show will be held at the same time.

The classes that are being offered for this show will be the same as for the State Farm Show and are as follows:

Class 76—Wrapper B's C1-a

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Ag Outlook Meeting Set For Tuesday

An Agricultural Outlook meeting has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m., next Tuesday, Jan 9 at the Farm Credit Building, according to M M. Smith, Lancaster county agent

The dairy, livestock and feed situation will be discussed

Featured speakers are: William Johnstone and Lewis Moore, agricultural economists from Penn State.

The meeting is open to the general public.

Mrs. Doris W. Thomas

Mrs. Thomas Is Elected To State Economist Post

Mrs Doris W Thomas, Lancaster County Extension Home Economist, was elected first vice president of the Pennsylvania Association of Extension Home Economists for 1968 at the recent annual meeting.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Eunice N. Tibbott, Ebensburg, treasurer; Mrs. Jane B. Marhefka, Mifflintown, president; Mrs. Betty Parks Strutin, Scranton, president-elect, Mrs Ethel Ann Diehl, RD 1, Sunbury, secretary; and Mrs Barbara P Kinnan, RD 2, Tioga, second vice president.

Among the Pennsylvania home economists serving on committees of the national organization are. Mrs. Patricia L Long, Greensburg, chairman of

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Countian Tours Russia; Brings Moscow Farm News

"In spite of none too favorable weather conditions our agriculture made a big stride forward this year Many republics, territories and regions have gathered a good harvest of grain and industrial crops and achieved a further growth in animal husbandry." So stated the Moscow (weekly) News dated Saturday, November 25, 1967 and brought back from an extensive tour of the Soviet Union by Harold M Zimmerman, Ephrata R1.

The Russian report under the by-line of Professor Nikolai Kuznelsov, Doctor of Economics, stated further, 'The 23rd party congress, held in the spring of 1966, set as one of the most important tasks, the strengthening of the material and technical base of Agriculture In the current 5-year period (1966-1970) it has been decided to make available nearly 1,800,000 tractors, over 1,500,000 autos and grain combines to farms This will increase machinery for use in the countryside 1.5 times"

The newspaper also reported a recent government cut in prices on farm machinery, spare parts and electricity.

Zimmerman said Soviet machinery (both farm and industrial) is crude but it gets the job done

The above mentioned article was entitled **Agriculture, More**

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4-H Tobacco & Corn Show Winners Named

The 4-H Tobacco and Corn Show was held last Friday at the Bayuk Cigars Inc Warehouse

In the tobacco show Frances and Philip Bixler, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Bixler, Marietta R1, took the top awards. Frances had the best wrappers and Philip was top in the filler class

The reserve championship in wrappers went to Steven Ney, Marietta R1 and reserve in the filler class went to J Richard Thomas, Millersville R1.

In the corn show Ney had the grand champion ears and Philip Bixler had the reserve.

Judges for the tobacco exhibit were Richard Charles Jr, and Paris Gruber, both of Bayuk's and A K. Mann Jr., Leaf Tobacco dealer.

Retired Associate County Agent Harry S. Sloat served as judge of the corn competition.

Dog Owners Warned To Get Licenses Now

Dog owners must obtain 1968 licenses for their pets by January 15, T Luke Toomey, Director, Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement, State Department of Agriculture, said today. Pennsylvania law requires that licenses must be obtained on or before that date.

Licenses are necessary for all dogs six months of age or older. They are on sale at the offices of the county treasurers, or may be ordered through any qualified notary public, justice of the

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Regional Farm Tax Meetings Planned

B. Wayne Kelly and Jesse G Cooper Extension farm management specialists at The Pennsylvania State University, will be featured speakers at a regional Income Tax meeting January 9 in Dillsburg. The meeting, designed to assist income tax practitioners and farmers who prepare their own returns or assist others, will be held in the Chalet Restaurant from 9:30

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Coming Next Week

Our special Farm Show issue with a preview and the entire schedule of events.

Farm Calendar

Saturday, January 6 (today)
Shorthorn 4-H steers distributed at M. R. Good Farm, Manheim R1

Monday, January 8
8 p.m —Lancaster County Soil & Water Conser. Dist. Dir. meet. County Courthouse.

Tuesday January 9
9:30 a.m.—S.E. Pa. Regional Farm Income Tax meet., Cha-

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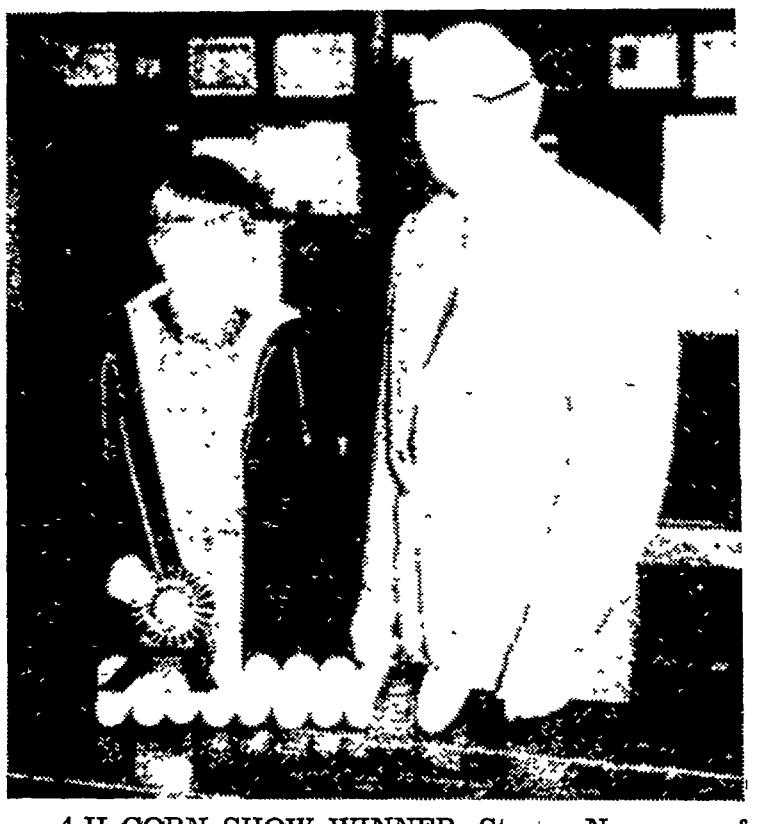

4-H CORN SHOW WINNER. Steven Ney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Ney, Marietta R1, won top honors in the 4-H Corn Show. At right is the corn judge, Harry S. Sloat, retired Associate County Agent.
L. F. Photo

TOBACCO SHOW WINNERS. Winners in the 4-H Tobacco Show are Philip and Frances Bixler, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Bixler, Marietta R1.
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MARKET NEWS REPORT

At Lancaster Yards

Weekly Review

January 5, 1968

CATTLE 1900 — Compared to last week's close, slaughter steers strong to 50c higher, cows steady, some strength on Canner & low-Cutter, bulls steady, although Utility & Commercial scarce, feeder steers fully steady on few sales Supply included an estimated 45 percent slaughter steers, 25 percent cows and bulls with the balance mainly feeder steers

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1200 lbs 26 85-27 85, five head 28-28 25, Choice 1200-1470 lbs 26 35 27 25, high-Good to low-Choice 25 85-26 85, couple loads on Monday 27-27 25, Good 24 50-26 50 few sales 950-1000 lbs on Monday at 26 50-27 Standard to low-Good 22-24 50

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — Good & Choice 800-1050 lbs 23-25 10, Standard 20 25-22

COWS — Utility & high-yielding Cutter 17 25-18 85, few sales 19-19 25, Cutter 16 50-18, Canner & low-Cutter 14 50-16 75

BULLS — Choice 24 85-26, Good 23-25, Small supply Utility & Commercial 22 75-24, with a couple 25-25 25

FEEDER STEERS — Load mixed Good & Choice 435 lbs 28; two loads Choice & Prime 960 lbs with Good slaughter flesh 25 75; two loads Choice 1020 lbs 25, load mixed Good & Choice 950-1100 lbs 23 75-25 25, load 730 lbs feeder bulls 22 25

CALVES 350 — Vealers $2-3 lower

VEALERS — Choice 45 50-49; few high-Choice & Prime 50-52; Good 42-46; Standard 36-43; Utility 33 37, Cull 95-115 lbs 26 50-31, Cull 70-90 lbs 22 25

HOGS 500 — Barrows & gilts mostly steady

BARROWS & GILTS—US 1-2 190-245 lbs 20 25-20 75, 30 head

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Auction Only

January 3, 1968

CATTLE 567 — Compared to Tuesday, slaughter steers steady to 50c lower cows steady, some strength on Canner and low-Cutter; Bulls steady

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1200 lbs 26 85-27 85, five head 28 00-28 25, Choice 1200-1470 lbs 26 35-27 25, high-Good to low-Choice 25 85-26 85, Good 24 50-26 25

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — Good and Choice 800-1050 lbs 23 00-25 10 Standard 20 25-22 00

COWS — Utility and high-yielding Cutter 17 25-18 85, few 19 00-19 25 Cutter 16 50-18 00, Canner and low-Cutter 14 50-16 75

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Vintage Auction

January 2, 1968

CATTLE 435 — Compared to last Tues, slaughter steers steady to 25c higher; cows strong to 50c higher, bulls mostly steady on small supply. Supply included 41 percent cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS— Choice 850-1325 lbs. 26 85 28 50, high-Choice and Prime 1075-1325 lbs. 28 60-29 35; high-Good to low-Choice 26 50-27 10; Good 24 50-26 60; Standard to low-Good 22-24 50

COWS — Utility & high-yielding Cutter 17 35-19 50, eight head 19 60-20, Cutter 16 25-18-50, Canner & low-Cutter 14 50-16 50

BULLS — Good 23 85-24 85, couple Choice 25 25; Utility and Commercial 23 35-25 85.

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New Holland Auction

January 4, 1968

CATTLE 657 — Compared to last Thurs, slaughter steers 50-75c higher; cows 50-1 00 higher; bulls steady to 50c higher Supply included 38 percent cows and 11 percent bulls

SLAUGHTER STEERS—Choice 950-1300 lbs 26 50-28 25, high-Choice & Prime 1100-1225 lbs 28 25-28 75, two loads strong Choice & Prime 1250-1515 lbs 25 85-27 50, with 8 head 1570-1675 lbs 23 85-25 85, high-Good to low-Choice 1000-1300 lbs 25-60-26 50, Good 24 50-26 10. Standard to low-Good 22 50-24 10

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — Choice 750-950 lbs. 24 50-26 25; Good 22 75-24 50

COWS Utility & high-yielding Cutter 17-18 85, few 19 10-19 60 Cutter 16-18, Canner & low-Cutter 14 75-16 25

BULLS — Choice 24 75-26 50, few 27 10-27.35, Good 23 25-25, Utility & Commercial 22 75-25-10, several 1700-2225 lbs. 26-27 35

CALVES 384 — Vealers steady to $2 lower

VEALERS — Choice 44-47 50, Three head 51-51 50; Good 41-50-43 50; Standard 36-42, Utility 30-36 50; Cull 95-115 lbs 26-32-50, 70-90 lbs 21-23 50.

SHEEP 11 — Insufficient volume for a market test.

COWS

January 3, 1968

Receipts of 114 cows, 3 bulls and 9 heifers sold lower. Fresh cows, Holstein 350-525; Guernseys 175-280; Other breeds 300-375; Bulls 155-185, heifers 220-305.

HORSES

January 1, 1968

Receipts of 200 horses sold steady with killers higher Riding Horses 85-280; Driving horses 125-200, Mules 120-245; Pony mares 35-45, Geldings 25-35, Work horses (single) 150-280, Pair 355 540, Killers 8-9.

HOGS

January 1, 1968

Receipts of 396 head sold steady. Retail 21-22 50, Wholesale, No. 1-3, 19.50-20.25; Heavyweights 18.75-19.50; Sows 12-14 50.

CALVES

January 1, 1968

Calf receipts of 74 head sold $1-2 higher on Choice & Prime with the balance steady Choice & Prime 42-48 50; Good & low-Choice 36-41.50; Standard 31-35 50; Common 20-30.

Chicago Cattle

Weekly Review

CATTLE — Compared with last weeks close, slaughter steers and heifers sold 25-50 higher Cows were 50-75 lower. Bulls were unchanged. In the carlot dressed meat trade at Chicago, steer and heifer beef steady to 50 higher, cow beef steady

Receipts 15,000 compared with 19,200 last week and 16,800 last year Twelve market receipts 116,400 compared with 125,000 last week and 146,000 last year

SLAUGHTER STEERS — On Wednesday, Prime 1200-1375 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 28 25-28 75, two loads at the latter price The highest since later October High Choice and Prime 1100-1350 lbs. 27.50-28 25, Choice 950-1350 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 26 25-27 50, Mixed Good and Choice 25 50-26.25, Good 23 25-25 50, Standard and Low Good 21 50-23 25.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — High Choice and Prime 950-1075 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 26.25-26.50, one load Tuesday at 26.75, Choice 850-1025 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 25.50-26.25, Mixed Good and Choice 24 50-25.50, Good 22 25-24 50, Standard and Low Good 20 50-22 25.

COWS — Late sales Utility and Commercial 15.00-16.50, High Yielding Utility 16.50-17.00, Canner and Cutter 14 00-16.

BULLS — Utility and Commercial 20 00-22 50.

FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, January 4, 1968)

	Midwestern Live Cattle — Chicago	Live Hogs — Chicago	Maine Potatoes — New York
January		19.12	
February	25.82	19.05	
March		18.85-b	2.11
April	24.97	18.80-b	2.23
May		19.35	2.59
June	25.10	19.50	
July	25.42	20.65	
August	25.62	19.60-n	
September	25.80	19.60-n	
October	25.90		
December	25.92-n		

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Weekly Poultry Report

Eastern Pennsylvania And New Jersey Weekly Review

Prices of light type hens continue to hold steady Demand spotty as some processing plants remain closed following the Holidays Offerings fully adequate for current call Demand on heavy type hens, fair, however, offerings very light with receipts for local dressing plants generally arriving from New England or Delmarva to fill needs Prices paid at farm Light Type Hens 3-4½ mostly 4-4½, Heavy Type Hens TFEWR **TURKEYS** — Trading generally light and consisting mostly of small lots of young toms.

Fogelsville

January 2, 1968
(Prices paid dock weights, cents per lb., except where noted)

Hens, light type 4 8½, mostly 4-5; Hens, heavy type 5½-12, mostly 10-12, Pullets 20-27½, mostly 22-25, Roasters 15-26, mostly 18-25, Turkeys, Toms 16-17, Turkeys, Hens 20, Rabbits 35-51, mostly 46-51, Pigeons (per pair) 1 00-1 70, mostly 1 00-1 05

Total coops sold 304

Eastern Shore Exchange Weekly Review

Broiler and fryer live prices averaged 14 99 cents per pound this week on a short three day week Prices paid ranged from a high of 15 5 cents a pound on Tuesday to a low of 14 2 cents a pound on Thursday Sales for the week totaled 769,800 head down 56,100 from last week

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US 1, 200-235 lbs 21, US 1-3 180 265 lbs 19 50-20 25

SHEEP 100—Slaughter lambs $2-2 50 higher Ewes absent.

WOOLED LAMBS — Choice 70 95 lbs 26-27 50, Good 65-100 lbs 24-26, one lot Good 120 lbs 21, few Utility 60-80 lbs 20-24, one small lot Choice 75 lb fall lambs $29

● Village

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CALVES 470 — Vealers steady, some sales Cull steady to $2 lower

VEALERS — Choice 47-49 50, few head 50-51, Good 42 50-47, Standard 35-41 50, Utility 32 50-36 50, Cull 95-115 lbs 27-33, 70-90 lbs 22 50-27

HOGS 218 — Barrows & gilts steady to 25c lower

BARROWS & GILTS — US 1-2 195-225 lbs 20-20 60, 9 head US 1, 200-210 lbs 20 75 21, US 1-3 185-250 lbs 19 10-19 85, US 2-3 235-270 lbs 17 50-18 50

SHEEP 47 — Wooled lambs and slaughter ewes about steady

WOOLED LAMBS — Choice 65-90 lbs 26-27 50, Good 24-26

SLAUGHTER EWES — Utility and Good 3 50-7 50

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BULLS — Choice 24 85-25 50, Good 23 00-24 75, Utility and Commercial 22 75-24 00, couple 25 00-25 35

FEEDER STEERS — Good and Choice 950-1100 lbs 23 75-25 25

CALVES 162 — Vealers weak to $2 00 lower

VEALERS — Choice 45 50-49 00, couple 50 00-51 00, Good 42 00 45 50; Standard 36 00 42-50, Utility 32 00 35 50, Cull 95-115 lbs 26 50-31 00, Cull 70-90 lbs 22 00 25 00.

HOGS 181 — Barrows and gilts steady to 50c lower

BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1-2 190-245 lbs 20 25-20 75 30 head US 1, 200-235 lbs 21 00 7 head US 1, 225 lbs 22 50 US 1-3 180-265 lbs 19 50-20 25

SHEEP 13 — Insufficient volume for a market test One lot Good 83 lbs 25 00, one lot Good 120 lbs 21 00.

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

From Monday, January 1st to Friday, January 5th

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Ex Fcy Lg		23½	28½	28	27½ 28
Fcy Lg		28½	28	28½	28½
Fcy Med		25	25	25	25
No 1 Med.		25	25	25	25
Pullets		23	23	23	23
Peewees		19	19	19	19
Ex Large		28½	23½	28½	28½
BROWN					
Ex Fcy. Lg.		29	29	29	28
Fcy Lg.		29	29	29	29
Fcy Med.		25	25	25	25
Pullets		23	23	23	23
Peewees		19	19	19	19
MIXED					
Standards		26	26	26	26
Checks		20½	20½	20	20

Trend Retail stores reported as having excellent supplies. Some surplus Extra Large White available Medium and Pullet well cleared

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● Farm Calendar

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let Restaurant, Rt 15, Dillsburg, York County
7 30 p m —County Ag Outlook meet, Farm Credit Bldg
7 30 p m —Ephrata Young Farmers Farm Accts Record meet, School Ag room
7 30 p m —Garden Spot Young Farmers meet, (Farm Building), school Vo-Ag Bldg, New Holland

Wednesday, January 10
9 30 a m —S E Pa Regional Farm income tax meeting, Frank Reeser's Restaurant, Rt 61, 2 mi N of Reading
7 30 p m —Manheim Young Farmers meet, School Ag rm.
8 00 p m —Lanc Co Farm Mgt meet, Penn Manor High School Vo-Ag dept

Thursday, January 11
12 30 p m —Lanc Co Tobacco Show, Bayuk Cigar Co, 850 North Water St
7 00 p m —Garden Spot High School Arc Welding Class, High School Ag Dept
8 00 p m —Lanc Co Farm Mgt meet, Farm Credit Bldg.

DID YOU KNOW

The Sproul State Forest, consisting of over 241,000 acres of state forest land, contains some of the most rugged and secluded areas remaining in Pennsylvania Located in western Clinton and northern Centre counties, the district was named in honor of William C Sproul, Governor of Pennsylvania, 1919-1923 (Dept of Forests and Waters)

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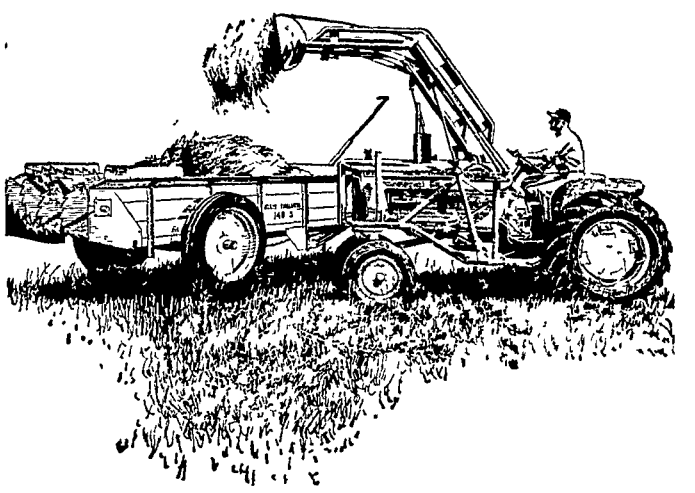

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The idea that the cow is becoming obsolete is being expressed often these days, usually in jest but sometimes seriously. Promoters of vegetable fats and proteins are using every possible angle to convince people that the cow is an anachronism. Feed the crops directly to people instead of running them through animals first, these people suggest. Yet the cow has become an increasingly efficient converter of feeds and forages into what is still nature's most nearly perfect food — milk This process of increasing the cow's efficiency as a converter continues. The cow's use of forages which man cannot consume, of course, means that man has a means of using a good deal of land that can grow grass and little else The benefits of livestock agriculture have been recited often in the past and probably should be recited often in the future to remind the American people just how good they really have it.

Cow's milk is the primary food of American infants and children Studies have shown repeatedly that American mothers have great respect for the products of the dairy industry, and especially for milk Imitation and filled milk, when introduced into any market, will attract a certain percentage of people because any new product has the advantage of being newsworthy and attractive to those who are seeking out whatever is new The price advantage will also appeal to some people However, there is every indication now that a strong selling campaign for milk can offset interest in imitation or filled milk Mothers are wary about experimenting with the food they feed their children. There is confusion about what the imitation products really are Even nutritionists are beginning to express doubts about the nutritional values of some of the imitation products now on the market.

There are powerful appeals to American mothers that can be used to keep them buying milk, and this apparently is what dairymen are determined to do if we may judge by their reaction to this problem thus far. Dairymen are asking that imitation products be properly labeled. that pricing of milk ingredients should not give an advantage to the imitations, that quality controls for imitation products should be at least equal to those holding for milk, but few dairymen are looking to restrictive legislation to try to keep imitation products off the market The attitude is: make sure everyone has to compete on the same basis, and we'll go into the marketplaces of this country and win consumer votes for genuine dairy products.

The year 1968 is going to be an interesting one in the dairy business It will be a year when a good many decisions will have to be made Milk producers will have to decide if they really are going to put up enough money to do a real research and selling job or if they are simply going to sit back and take whatever comes their way — good or bad All indications are now that producers are ready to fight, that producers in many areas may be far out in front of their leadership.

Distributors who have not yet plunged into the imitation or filled milk business will be debating what course to take. Competition will dictate the answer for many, although it is always interesting to hear the first distributor who introduces filled milk into a market explain that he is meeting competition! A good many distributors are seriously questioning the wisdom of adding this new product to their line because they do recognize its potential for price footballing, for seriously upsetting relationships between milk producers and processors, for perhaps setting the stage for non-dairy food giants to take over and sell a wholly imitation milk that would be marketed on a basis much different from the present dairy business.

It will be most interesting to watch the reaction that will occur in some market when a wise distributor, after debating the pros and cons of introducing imitation or filled milk, decides against such a move and then tells his customers something like this:

"We are not following the lead of our competitors who have introduced imitation or filled milks into this market recently because we do not believe such products are necessarily in the best interests of our customers. We have seen generation after generation of children in this community grow strong and healthy because they drank their milk. We do not believe this fabricated milk, even though it may cost a few pennies less per quart, is the kind of product our customers really want for their families. Instead of experimenting with untried formulas, we'll continue to sell the product that has proved its goodness and its high nutritional value through the years We don't believe in experimenting with the good health of our customers."

At least that's the way it looks from where we stand.

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Across The Fence Row

The speed of a runaway horse counts for nothing. — Jean Cocteau

Foundations are important. Often I have passed by a piece of excavation going many feet into the ground and upon inquiry been told this was to be the site of a skyscraper. To the uninitiated it looked as if they were going in the wrong direction, but they were going down in order to go up. — John L. Hill in The Defender

Weather Forecast

The five-day forecast for the period Saturday through next Wednesday calls for temperatures to average much below normal with daytime highs in the 30's and overnight lows in the teens. Generally very cold Normal high temperature is 39 and low is 24.

Precipitation may total one-half inch water equivalent occurring as snow in the north at the beginning of the period and snow over the general area Monday night.

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BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

THE COMMUNICATOR

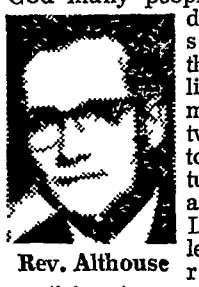
Lesson for January 7, 1968

Background Scripture: John 1 1-42 20 30 31.
Devotional Reading. Hebrews 1 1 9

A few days ago I saw this sticker on a car bumper:

GOD IS NOT DEAD. HE JUST DOESN'T WANT TO GET INVOLVED!

Actually, this is the kind of God many people believe in: a deity so remote, so impersonal, that there can be little or no communication between the Creator and his creatures. He is more an Absentee Landlord, a Celestial Spectator rather than a participant.



Rev. Althouse

The greatest challenge to Christianity today, it seems, is not from those who say there is no God or who maintain that he is dead, but those who, though they believe in his existence, deny his involvement in the world he created. You cannot really know what God is like, they say, because he either chooses to remain silent or cannot communicate with us. Our prayers are assumed to be like the fruitless radio signals beeped into outer space to communicate with unknown civilizations that might be out there: no one probably hears them and, if they do, they probably cannot answer.

God Who Communicates

Christians, however, do not believe in a God who is mute or too remote to care or be involved. Ours is a God who can be known to us because he communicates with us, revealing to us what he is and what he wants us to become. Thus, the Gospel According to John begins: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

The "Word" of which John speaks here is not the words of scripture nor even audible spoken words, but the dynamic power of God by which he reveals himself and his purpose to men and acts or becomes involved in their affairs. The "Word" is thus the self-expressiveness of God and the J. B. Phillips translation renders John 1:1, "In the beginning, God expressed himself."

When We Think of God

This is not a vague, elusive, unknowable God, but a Supreme Being who communicates himself to men, revealing himself, making himself known. But John goes on to say something else that sounds utterly audacious: "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us." Revealing himself in so many ways, God made the ultimate self-disclosure by transposing his divine nature into the person of a human being. As Phillips puts it: "So the expression of God became a human being and lived among us."

What this means for us, of course, is that all that man can ever know or understand about God is tied up in the person whom we know as Jesus Christ. If we come to know him, we will know God as fully as man can know him. If we understand him, we will understand as much of the divine mystery as our finite minds are capable of understanding. When the Christian thinks of God, then, he does not have to picture a white-haired old gentleman peering down from the heavens. He does not have to do the impossible by envisioning a finite picture of the infinite. He can point to Jesus Christ and say: "There, that is what God is like in human terms, the only terms we can understand."

Fuss About Jesus

This, then, is why Jesus Christ is so essential for the Christian. As a child I used to wonder, "Why all the fuss about Jesus? Why not just concentrate upon God?" What I did not realize, however, is that men cannot very well concentrate upon God without Jesus Christ. To think about God for any length of time becomes a very frustrating experience unless our thoughts of God are focused through Christ. "No one has ever seen God;" wrote John, "the only Son . . . he has made him known". (John 1:18 RSV)

To believe in a god is not enough. It is the kind of god you believe in that makes the vital difference. The kind of God whom Christians worship and serve is the God who communicates to us through Jesus Christ.

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NOW IS THE TIME . . .

By Max Smith

Lancaster County Agent

To Use Pig & Lamb Brooders . .

The new crop of pigs and lambs will soon start arriving; cold weather creates a problem for these little animals the first few hours. Experience has shown that supplemental heat provided the first few hours will pay for itself many times. This is usually done through brooders of some type in the pen. Local producers are urged to prepare for the new animals during cold weather.

To Use Forage Testing . . .

We are aware of the lack of activity in the forage testing work this winter. The value of this test is to know the feeding nutrients in the roughage so that efficient grain feeding may be attained. Testing provides a basis for working out less-costly rations that still meet needs for additional grain and concentrates.

To Segregate Livestock . . .

Good herd management includes the careful handling of newly-purchased animals, or animals that have been off the farm and returned In all types of livestock the practice of complete segregation for the first 30 days is very important; many have learned the value of this method the hard way. With Farm Show approaching where many local animals will be returned, and some purchased, we urge local producers to separate the animals in order to prevent serious herd contamination.

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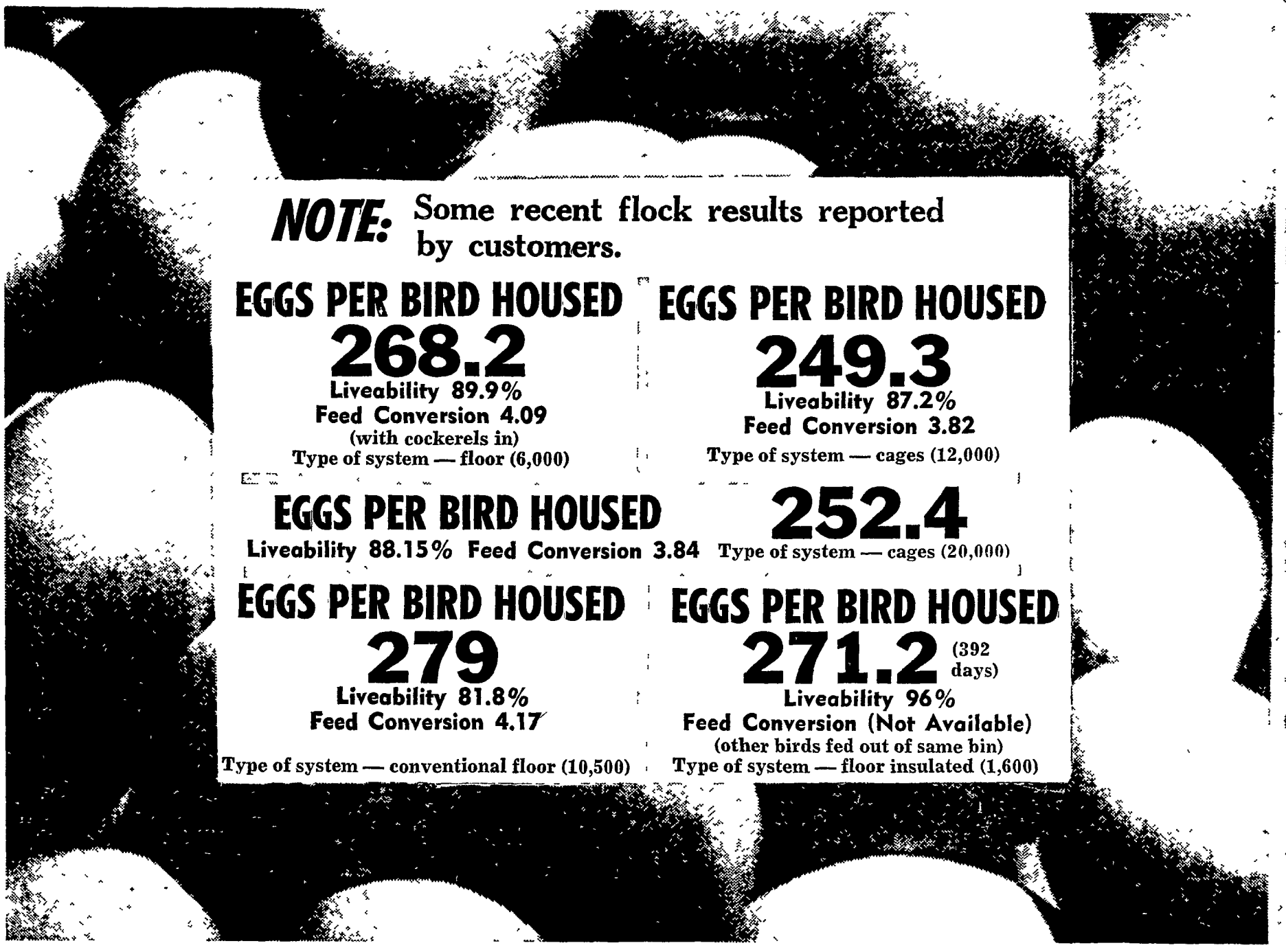

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Meat Consumption & Production Reached Record High Levels

Meat consumption and production reached record high levels in 1967 and those peaks are expected to be maintained in 1968, Robert F. Gray, chairman of the board of the American Meat Institute, said in a year-end statement today

Per capita consumption of meat in 1967 rose to 176 6 pounds, four percent higher than the 170 5 pounds per capita consumed in 1966 and one percent more than the previous record of 174 5 pounds per capita set in 1964

Gray, who is chairman of the board of Geo A Hormel & Co, Austin, Minn, said that the average American in 1967 ate 105 6 pounds of beef, a new high and up two percent from the 104 0 pounds in 1966, 63 3 pounds of pork, nine percent more in 1966; 3 9 pounds of veal, down 13 percent and 3 8 pounds of lamb, five percent less

Meat production climbed to a record of 34 billion pounds in 1967 This represents an increase of 1 4 billion pounds over the total of 1966 and 1 3 billion pounds more than the previous record high of 32 7 billion pounds produced in 1964

Beef production in 1967, a new record, was 20 1 billion pounds, up two percent from the previous high of 19 7 billion pounds in 1966 Pork production jumped 11 percent from 11 3 billion pounds in 1966 to 12 5 billion pounds in 1967 Veal production was 800 million pounds and lamb production was 600 million pounds in 1967, both down 100 million pounds from a year earlier.

Gray said that all indications point to continuing high levels of production and consumption for 1968. Both beef and pork production are expected to rise slightly, but this will be offset by corresponding decreases in veal and lamb consumption and production

"Now that the population of the United States has passed 200 million," Gray said, "it reflects great credit on the meat and livestock industry to have met the continually increasing demand for meat with wholesome, nutritious products at prices which are reasonable in our present economy"

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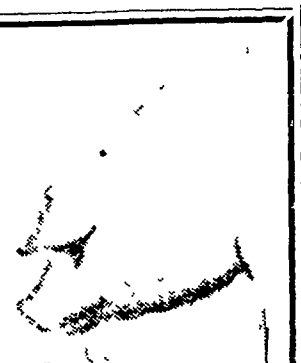

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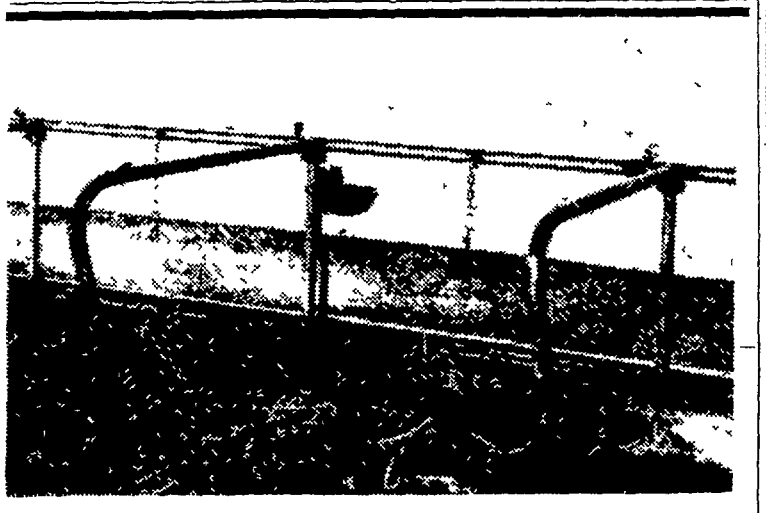

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USDA Hires 75 Additional Inspectors

The U.S Department of Agriculture last week announced it has authorized the Consumer and Marketing Service to hire 75 additional meat inspectors.

The inspectors are being hired to expedite implementation of the Wholesome Meat Act signed by President Johnson Dec. 15. These are the first of about 500 meat inspectors and other personnel that will be hired by June 30, 1968

The additional inspection force will be assigned to the two main types of firms affected by the new Act These are firms which prepare meat carcasses into wholesale cuts or for further processing (known in the meat industry as "boners and cutters"), and plants which operate in the District of Columbia, or unorganized territories.

C&MS officials said the inspectors will be assigned as needed throughout the 7 meat inspection districts, and in the District of Columbia.

The Wholesome Meat Act, described by President Johnson as a "landmark" in consumer protection, ultimately will achieve the goal of a totally-inspected meat supply through joint Federal-State cooperation. It updates the Meat Inspection Act of 1906, which provided for Federal inspection of meat produced in plants dealing in interstate or foreign commerce.

The Breeding Herd For Tax Purposes

A breeding herd, for income tax purposes, can refer to several categories of livestock, says W T McAllister, extension farm management specialist at the University of Delaware

Determining whether livestock is held for draft, dairy or breeding purposes depends on all facts and circumstances in each case, says McAllister A farmer's actual use of the animal ordinarily shows the purpose for which the animal is held. He cites several examples which may help clarify the term "breeding herd" for tax purposes.

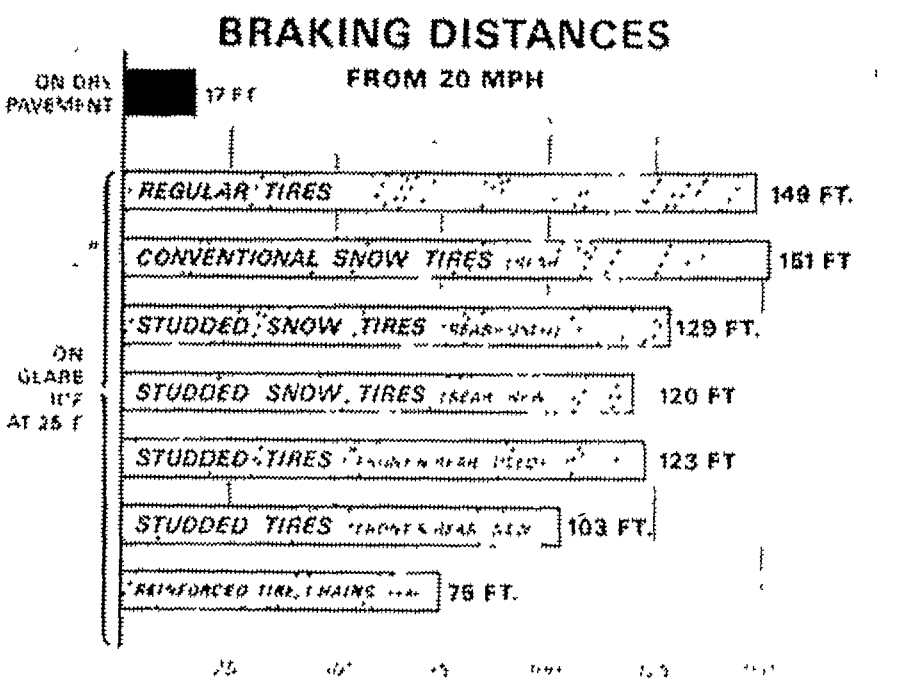
An animal intended for breeding purposes may be discovered to be sterile and sold within a reasonable time after. The animal was held for breeding purposes.

A farmer may retire and sell his entire herd, including young animals he planned to use for breeding or dairy purposes if he had continued in business. These animals would be considered breeding or dairy stock. McAllister points out that any sale of breeding or dairy animals should be handled as a capital gain rather than as ordinary income and should be reported on schedule D, not on form 1040F.

A farmer may raise hogs for slaughter. Before selling the sows, he gets a single litter of pigs from them and raises them for sale Even though the sows are held for ultimate sale to a customer and are sold after bearing the litter, they are considered held for breeding purposes However, these animals must be held for a minimum of 12 months.

A farmer who buys cattle and fattens them for slaughter buys cows with calf Calves are born while the cows are being held by the farmer These cows are not held for breeding purposes.

Livestock for income tax purposes includes cattle, hogs; mules, donkeys, sheep, goats; fur-bearing animals, such as mink, and other mammals. Chickens, turkeys, pigeons, fish, geese, frogs and reptiles are not included



(Braking distances shown above do not include reaction time which normally adds another 22 ft. to the braking distances)

Test results from the 1967 report of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards

The latest test findings of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards disclose that regular tires on glare ice may require close to nine times as far to stop as on a dry pavement. The Safe Winter Driving League points out that regardless of the type of traction device employed — even with tire chains — far slower than normal speeds are a must on icy pavements.

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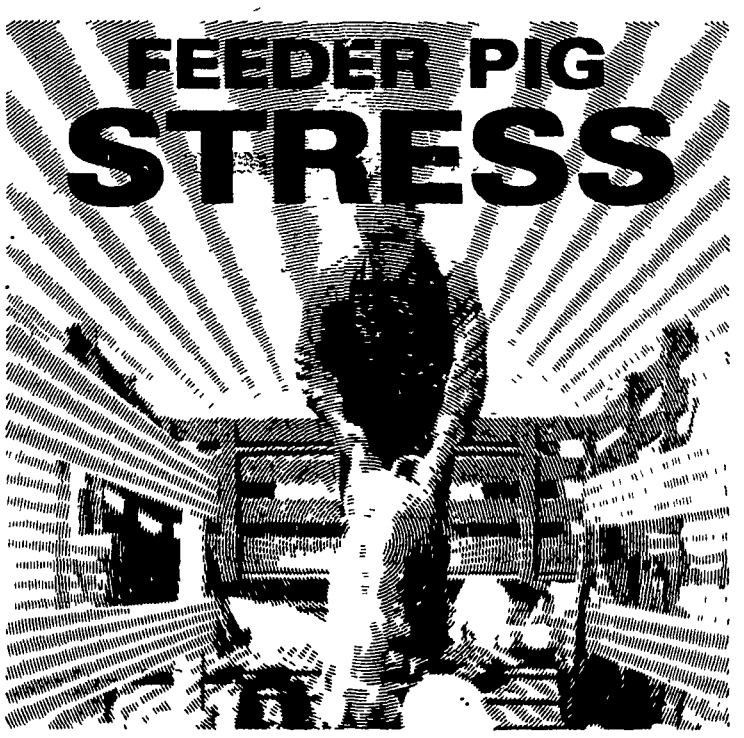

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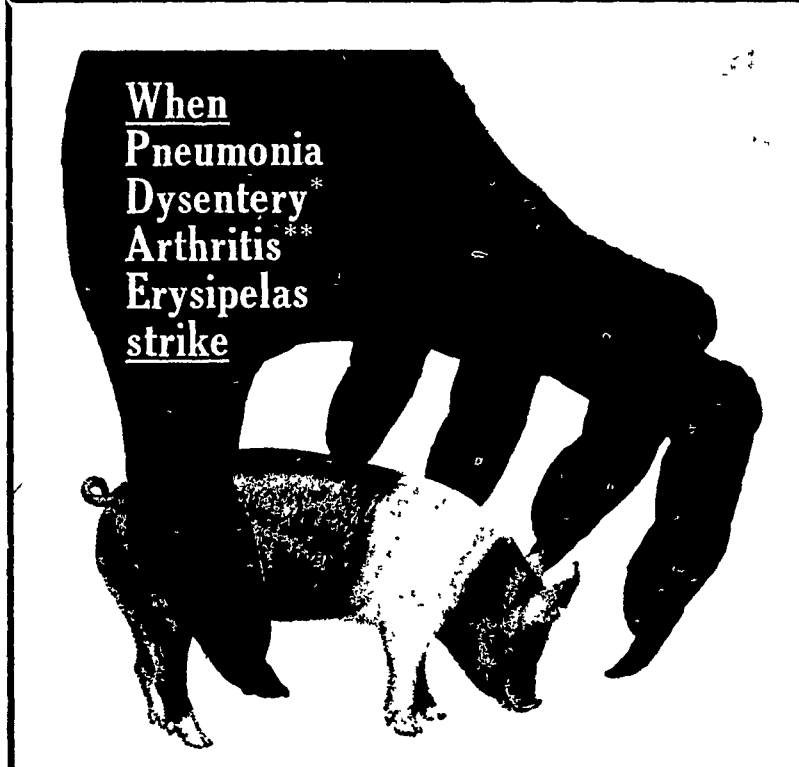

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Gerald Biggs Appointed To Land Committee

Governor Raymond P. Shafer today announced the appointment of Gerald A Biggs, President of the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association, as a member of the State Committee on Preservation of Agricultural Land

Biggs, a resident of McConnellsburg, Fulton County, is the nineteenth member of the Committee named by Governor Shafer.

The Committee has been charged with the responsibility of developing a plan of action for preserving agricultural land for agricultural purposes "consistent with the total land requirements of the Commonwealth"

Two Cows Fall In Pond At Drumore R1

Two cows fell through ice of a fire-pond on the Amos M Hess farm, Drumore R1, Wednesday, but were saved by quick action of farm hands, the Fulton Fire Company reported

About 9 a m the two cows wandered onto thin ice and crashed through Their bellows were heard by farmhands who rushed to the rescue The ice was hard enough to support one cow which scrambled out But boards had to be laid across the ice to rescue the second cow Both cows were safe by 9 30 a m

Pennsylvania DHIA Cows Continue To Set Records

University Park — Pennsylvania cows enrolled in the Dairy Herd Improvement Association (DHIA) testing program shattered several existing records this year which indicates dairymen continue to improve their practices which enables them to produce milk more efficiently.

Data, which were summarized using electronic computers, reveal that records were established in the number of cows on test, pounds of butterfat produced per cow, and income over feed cost Milk production per cow, however, was slightly below the record set a year ago

The DHIA program, supervised by the Dairy Science Department at Penn State University, is a production and feed recordkeeping system designed to assist dairymen in improving their feeding, breeding, and management practices Over 5,600 Commonwealth herds are taking part in this program which employs the practices of big business

"There were 167,147 cows in DHIA this year, about 3,500 more than in 1966," Herbert C Gilmore Penn State Extension dairy specialist and program supervisor points out "Average butterfat production of 489 pounds per cow topped last year's new mark by one pound Milk production per cow was 12,497 pounds Income over feed cost per cow this year averaged $353, six dollars more than in 1966," Gilmore added.

Pennsylvania's DHIA production average 10 years ago was 9,259 pounds of milk and 376 pounds of butterfat, the dairy specialist said. This year there were eight herds that produced over 700 pounds of butterfat and 209 herds that topped the 600 pound mark.

"A decade ago, the program became one of the first Commonwealth farm organizations to adapt to electronic recordkeeping. Today the association has grown into a $1 3 million a year business," Gilmore reported.

Since 1957, more than 20 million individual DHIA records have been processed at the Data Processing Center on the Penn State campus.

According to the summaries, Monroe County's herds topped all other county herds in butterfat production with an average of 554 pounds Perry County herds were leaders in milk production with an average of 14,014 pounds per cow.

Holsteins captured high state milk and butterfat production honors as the Sinking Spring Farm 63-cow herd in York County produced 19,344 pounds of milk and 725 pounds butterfat The Sinking Spring Farm milk record was highest in the state The 25-cow Holstein herd owned by Stanley Pruss of Lake Ariel R1, Wayne County, topped all other herds in fat production with an average of 738 pounds. Milk production was 17,105 pounds

● Mrs. Thomas

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the hospitality committee for the 1968 convention in Phoenix, Arizona; Mrs Eleanore G Tompkins, Philadelphia, chairman-elect of the convention committee for 1968; and Betty M Heinbach, Allentown, chairman of the exhibits committee for the 1969 convention in Philadelphia.

Janet E Tritt, Clearfield, was elected treasurer of the national organization at its 1967 convention.

● County Tobacco

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Class 77—Filler B's C2-a—Long fillers, over 26 in; C2-b—Short fillers, 26 in & under.

Class 78—Binder Type Div. A—Long binders, over 26 in; Div. B—Short binders, 26 in. & under.

Class 81—FFA Wrappers C1

Class 82—FFA Fillers C2

"A hand of tobacco shall consist of 15 leaves, tied with another tobacco leaf; select leaves that are uniform in size, color, texture and free from insect, disease or mechanical damage The Filler B types of tobacco are usually heavier in texture while the Wrapper B is a medium weight leaf, chestnut-brown color with good stretch. The Binders should have a very thin, silky leaf, light chestnut color with plenty of life and stretch," the agents said.

All exhibits entered in the County Show will be taken to the State Show unless the exhibitor states otherwise

DID YOU KNOW

The first forest camp site on state forest land was executed in October, 1913, following an Act of the General Assembly authorizing the Department of Forests and Waters to enter into such leases Today there are 4,553 such leased camp sites (Dept of Forests and Waters)

Ephrata Young Farmers To Have Accounts Meet

The Ephrata Adult Farmers will hold a farm Account Records meeting on Tuesday evening, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p m. The meeting is planned to help farmers with problems concerning farm income and expense records kept for income tax purposes.

Moses M Weaver, Stevens R1, and other area farmers who used the Penna Agricultural Records this past year will be on hand to give their personal opinions of the system.

Everyone is invited to attend according to Charles Ackley, Vo-Ag teacher at Ephrata.

● Regional Farm

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a m. to 3:30 p m Kelly and Cooper will discuss such topics as new rulings affecting tax reporting, investment tax credit changes, how to get the Federal Gas Tax refund, changes in medical deductions, and Social Security. The session is being planned by the Cooperative Extension Service.

Another such meeting is also planned for the next day, Jan. 10, at Frank Reeser's Restaurant, Route 61, about two miles north of Reading.

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Shuman Says Farmers Want Profit-Oriented Business

"It is time to change agriculture from a subsidy-oriented to a profit-oriented business," Charles B. Shuman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, said recently in his annual address to the 49th annual meeting of the Federation held in Chicago.

The head of the nation's largest general farm organization with a membership of more than 1,700,000 families in 49 states and Puerto Rico, said that government farm control, direct payment and price support programs are being used to hold farm prices down and to force farmers to accept payments in lieu of the full market price.

"Approximately 20 percent of net farm income," he reported, "now comes from direct subsidy payments from the federal treasury and cotton farmers get almost half of their total crop returns from this source.

"American agriculture has been rapidly converted by the Great Society planners and politicians to a subsidy-oriented business. It is time for a change. Farmers want their industry profit-oriented," he said.

The national farm leader said that there is good reason to believe that with proper transitional protection against dumping of government-held commodity stocks and other temporary hazards, government farm programs could be terminated quite rapidly with market gains rather than losses accruing to farmers."

Shuman termed "ridiculous" statements by Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman and others that the 1967 surplus grain production and farm price disaster is a sample of what would happen with a no controls-free market operation in agriculture.

"The wheat and feed grain production binge of 1967 was not a product of the free market, but must be charged to the mistakes of the Administration in promoting an extensive 'feed the hungry world' campaign coupled with rosy price predictions," he said.

"Farmers feel," he added, "with some justification, that they were double crossed I am confident that producers can, and would, balance production with effective market demand at acceptable prices under a market system. Producers of livestock (which has no government supply-management programs), and soybeans (which generally have sold for more than the support price) have repeatedly demonstrated an ability to operate under a market system."

Shuman pointed out that the disastrous farm price collapse of 1967 occurred with "the costly and complicated farm programs that were supposed to bring prosperity to farmers in full operation" and the programs were being run by an Administration pledged to make them work.

"We are completing the harvest of the largest crop in history, produced at the highest cost on record, and selling at the lowest prices in a decade

"Those who have been predicting that farmers would drown in a sea of surplus production with depression-level prices, if farm programs were ended, must be embarrassed to discover that this result has been achieved under the Great Society's supply-management programs. The parity ratio, a measuring stick that tells how farmers are doing, has dropped to 73 percent as compared with 71 percent in 1934 in the depths of the depression," he said.

The Federation president also said that the Administration's policy of holding down market prices and making supplemental payments to farmers as a partial offset to low prices represents a brand of "protectionism" that is jeopardizing America's farm export market.

Ag Teachers Hold Monthly Business Meet

The Lancaster County Agricultural Teachers held their regular monthly meeting at the Pequea Valley High School on Thursday afternoon.

Ivan Yost, Regional Young Farmer vice president, asked that all clubs in the county pay state dues to make the association stronger.

Henry Givler, area director, said 528 county members are paid in the National and State FFA Association.

The local association's budget was discussed and accepted.

Distribution Of 4-H Shorthorn Calves Set For Today At 1 P.M.

Distribution of Shorthorn calves for members of the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb Club will be at 1 p m Saturday at the Mylin R Good farm, Manheim R1.

Farmers Invited To Management Meetings

Jay W Irwin, assistant agricultural agent, this week invited farmers to attend a series of three meetings on farm management The meeting information is as follows

January 10 — "Pennsylvania's Agricultural Electronic Records Program" Information concerning this modern record-keeping system that is easy to learn, inexpensive, flexible and confidential TIME 8 p m PLACE Penn Manor High School Agricultural Dept, Millersville, SPEAKER William Dickinson, Farm Management Extension, Penn State University

January 11—"Farm Transfer Arrangements" Partnerships & Compatability – Installment Sales – Tax Advantages – Corporate Farms TIME 8 p m: PLACE Farm Credit Building, 411 W Roseville Road, Lancaster, SPEAKER Fred Hughes, Farm Management Extension, Penn State University

January 25—"Legal Problems with Wills, Estates and Farm Transfers" Why Plan an Estate? – Death and Gift Taxes – Why Bother with a Will? Time 8 p m, PLACE Farm Credit Building, 411 W Roseville Road, Lancaster, SPEAKER Edward Pawlick, Extension Service Attorney, York

"The number of questions relating to these topics indicated a need for these meetings We hope you'll attend and feel free to invite any of your friends and neighbors to come with you," Irwin said

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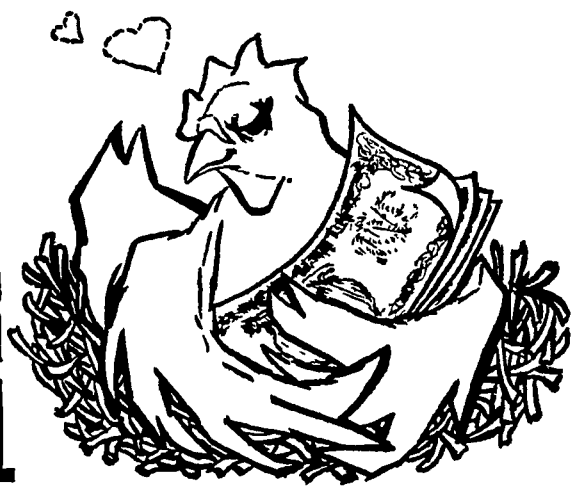

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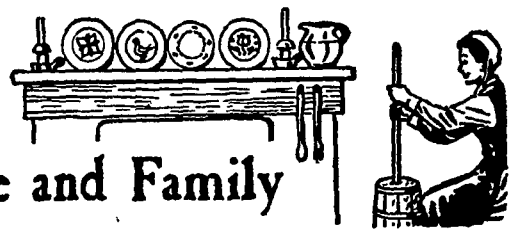

For the Farm Wife and Family

By Mrs. Richard C. Spence, Food Editor

SPENCE

FISH FROM A CAN

Don't sell canned fish products short. They come in real handy when you want a quick, economical, and tasty casserole or one-dish meal What's more, most of these dishes can be prepared ahead of time, ready to pop in the oven or heat on top of the stove just before mealtime

Pancake mix is a convenient shortcut in preparing today's Clam Fritters and canned clams make this delicacy available to us at any time.

CLAM FRITTERS

- 1½ cups pancake mix
- 2 cans (7-oz. ea.) minced clams, drained
- ¼ cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons horseradish
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 egg, beaten
- ½ cup evaporated milk

Combine pancake mix, clams, onion, horseradish, pimiento and Worcestershire sauce in a bowl. Add egg and milk. Mix thoroughly Drop by teaspoonfuls into hot deep fat (360 degrees), frying only a few at a time. Fry about 3 minutes on each side or until golden brown and crusty. Drain on absorbent paper. Makes 2 dozen.

Pacific Salmon Casserole combines canned salmon, broccoli and celery soup with an unusual topping of crumbled shredded wheat and cheese.

PACIFIC SALMON CASSEROLE

- 2 cans (1-lb. ea.) salmon, drained and flaked
- 1 package (10-oz.) frozen broccoli spears, cooked and drained
- 1 can (10½ oz.) condensed cream of celery soup
- 3 shredded wheat biscuits, crumbled
- ¾ cup grated American cheese
- 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
- 3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
- ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- Dash liquid red pepper seasoning

Pat half of the salmon evenly in greased 8-inch square baking dish. Arrange broccoli over salmon. (If broccoli spears are large, cut in half lengthwise.) Spread with soup Top with rest of salmon. Combine shredded wheat, cheese and parsley. Add butter, Worcestershire sauce and red pepper seasoning, mixing to combine. Sprinkle over salmon Bake in preheated moderate oven (375 degrees) about 25 min. Makes 6 servings.

TUNA TUMBLE

- 1 can (10½-oz.) can cream of vegetable soup
- ⅔ cup milk
- ¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- ¼ teaspoon garlic salt
- ⅛ teaspoon ground black pepper
- Dash liquid hot pepper seasoning
- 1 can (7-oz.) can tuna, drained and flaked
- 1 cup cooked egg noodles
- 1 cup cooked vegetables
- 1 jar (2-oz.) pimiento slices, well drained
- ½ cup finely rolled bacon-flavored cracker crumbs
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, melted
- Sprigs of parsley

Combine first 6 ingredients in a medium saucepan, blending well; bring to a simmer. Stir in next 4 ingredients. Pour into a 1-quart casserole. Toss cracker crumbs with butter or margarine; sprinkle on top of casserole Bake in a preheated slow oven (325 degrees) 10 to 15 minutes or until crumbs are golden brown. Garnish with parsley sprigs Makes 2 generous servings.

Here's a recipe developed and tested by food experts to make good use of shrimp, eggs, and potatoes which are all in ample supply. This main dish salad is suited to make-ahead meals that are convenient for the occasion demanded.

SHRIMP POTATO SALAD

- ½ pound cooked, peeled, cleaned shrimp, fresh, frozen or canned
- 2 cups diced cooked potatoes
- 3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
- ⅔ cup chopped celery
- ¼ cup chopped sweet pickle or drained pickle relish
- ¼ cup shredded cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- ½ cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash white pepper
- Salad greens

If using frozen shrimp, thaw. Cut large shrimp in half. Combine all ingredients except salad greens Chill; serve on salad greens. Makes 6 servings.

TWO-FISH CASSEROLE

- ½ cup butter or margarine
- ¼ cup thinly sliced scallions
- 1½ cups sliced celery
- 1 (4-oz.) can sliced mushrooms, drained (reserve liquid)
- ⅓ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 pint light cream or half-and-half
- 2 egg yolks, beaten (save the whites for a dessert)
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 (7¾ oz.) can crab meat, drained and flaked
- 1 (1-lb.) package frozen haddock fillets, thawed, very well drained and cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 (4-oz.) jar pimientos, sliced, drained
- 1 cup finely rolled Ritz cracker crumbs
- ½ cup Parmesan cheese
- 6 anchovies, minced
- Lemon slices and parsley sprigs, optional

Melt ¼ cup butter or margarine in large saucepan, add next 3 ingredients and cook 5 minutes. Remove from pan. In same pan, heat 2 tablespoons butter, blend in flour. Gradually add mushroom liquid and light cream, blending until smooth Cook and stir constantly over medium heat, until mixture thickens. Remove from heat. Add a little of the hot sauce to the egg yolks; pour back into saucepan Cook one minute. Do not boil. Add next

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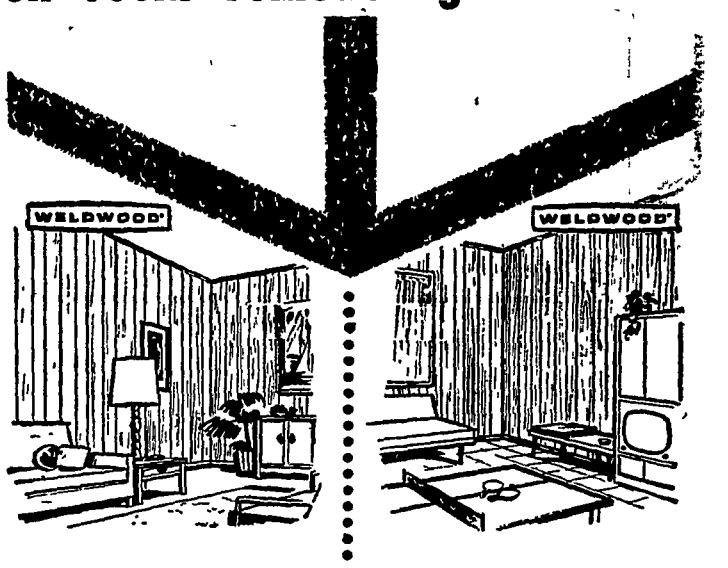

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Farm Women

FARM WOMEN 23

Twenty members of Society of Farm Women 23 met last week in the home of the retiring president, Mrs Milton Funk, Washington Boro R1. Mrs. Enos Newcomer led devotions

For the program, Mrs. Paul Keagy, Washington Boro, who returned from a Christmas holiday in Bermuda with her family, shared some of their experiences

Secret sisters were revealed and new names drawn Mrs Maurice Hostetter was in charge of the program

Mrs Clayton Charles, incoming president, conducted the business meeting

Four urban families were provided a complete Christmas dinner with gifts and toys The names of the families were supplied by the Salvation Army.

A Christmas card, handmade by the 11-year-old Korean orphan boy supported by the club for the past nine years, was displayed

An additional gift of $15 was given to the county project of furnishing the kitchen at the Farm & Home Foundation, now under construction. Also approved was the continuation of aid to three children in the State School for the Mentally Retarded at Hamburg, whereby a birthday gift and a small amount of personal spending money will be forwarded for 1968

Society 23 will distribute fruit and cookies to the Lancaster County Home and Hospital on Jan. 18, along with Society 24

The special activities committee is planning refreshment stands at three farm sales in February and March.

Mrs Edgar Funk and Mrs Ben Shenk were named delegates to the 48 annual convention of Farm Women of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg, Jan 15 and 16 Mrs Robert Rohrer and Mrs Lester Newcomer were named alternates Mrs Charles will also attend Bus reservations are to be made with Mrs. Frank Hodecker, Society 10.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Paul Funk, Washington Boro R1, when cancer pads will be made

FARM WOMEN 5

Society of Farm Women 5 met at the home of Mrs. Samuel Longenecker, 140 Sunny Slope Lane, Manheim, last week.

A short business meeting was conducted by the president, Miss

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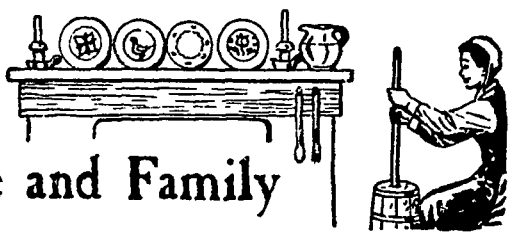
GRANGE NEWS

Fulton Grange #66 will hold its regular meeting January 8, 8 pm at the Grange Hall in Oakryn. Mrs Jesse Wood, Lecturer, will present a program on community service The Youth Committee will sponsor a dance for the young people of the community January 13, 8 30 to 11 30 pm "Lookouts" orchestra will furnish the music.

Lancaster County Pomona Grange #71 will hold a dinner meeting January 20, 7 p.m. at the Rhoads Spanish Restaurant, Quarryville Reservations are in charge of the Executive Committee Richard Maule, Colerain Grange, Clair Murphy, Fulton Grange, and Alfred Wanner, Salisbury Grange and must be made by January 17

Charles G McSparran will preside at the business session and Miss Helen Wanner will conduct a memorial service Norman Maure and his team from Chester County will install the officers for the next biennium

One pound of learning requires ten pounds of common sense to apply it.



For the Farm Wife and Family

Ladies, Have You Heard? . . .

By Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist

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Traditional — Great periods of furniture style reproduced or imitated Every generation borrowed something from the past closer to contemporary than to any historical precedent

Reproduction — A copy of an old piece of furniture of historic style If it is accurate in all details, it is a replica, if it follows the general external form it is a reproduction

Adaptation — A reproduction that preserves the spirit of the original piece which inspired it

Authentic — genuine, an exact replica

Style — A distinctive manner of designing typical of any given time, place, person, or group

The Cost Of Snacking

A large share of your family's food money goes for potato chips, pretzels, and nuts

Almost two billion dollars were spent in a recent year for snack foods

Shelf space for snack foods at stores has increased 50 percent in length in the last three years, according to trade papers

Snacks, like candy, are often bought on impulse Bright packages, tantalizing new items, catchy names, and desire for approval of family and friends induce the purchase of many snack items

When Is Bread Fresh?

When you buy bread, how do you know it's fresh?

The familiar squeeze test is no longer reliable for detecting the freshness of bread.

Some new bread formulas contain softeners as an ingredient These softeners keep bread soft for days

And some compact loaves may be very fresh but because no softeners have been added they don't yield to the squeeze test.

Arrange Furniture For Senior Citizens

Consider comfort, convenience, and safety when you arrange furniture for a senior citizen. Because older persons aren't likely to change their furniture arrangements often, you'll do well to plan an arrangement that will be satisfactory for a long time

Plan traffic lanes through a room for comfort and safety.

Check that doors open away from traffic lanes and that furniture doesn't stick out into walking areas

Leave plenty of room to walk around chairs. tables, and other furniture.

Plan furniture arrangements so the center of the room remains clear

For safety's sake, avoid small stools, floor pillows, or scatter rugs

For The Farm Wife

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5 ingredients and mushroom mixture Blend well Pour into 6 greased individual casseroles. Combine cracker crumbs, cheese and anchovies Add remaining 2 tablespoons butter, melted. Blend thoroughly Sprinkle evenly over casseroles. Refrigerate until ready to heat and serve. If chilled for any length of time, let stand at room temperature before baking Bake in a preheated moderate oven (350 degrees) 25 to 30 minutes or until golden Garnish with lemon and parsley. Makes about 6 servings

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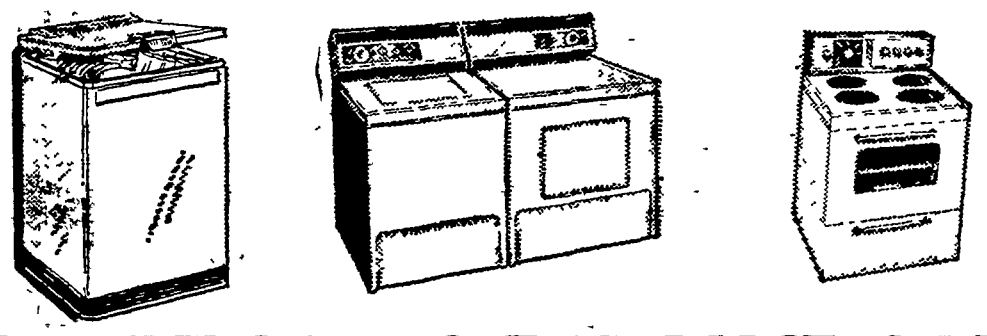

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● Countian Tours

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Produce, Less Expense, and concluded with "The main trend is to cut costs while producing more"

Zimmerman recently went to the Soviet Union for the expressed purpose of personally evaluating church-state relationships and individual freedom in religious matters To accomplish this he made his November 15-December 1, 1967 trip with only one other person, a minister from New Jersey and traveled by Russian jet and rode taxies as a regular tourist In this way he found he could readily talk to common people on the streets

He visited the American, Canadian and Cuben embassys in Moscow

He said that older people still remember war and destruction in their own country "This reflects in their thinking," he said "They hate war and dread to think about it"

Zimmerman found the churches crowded with standing room only and people complaining if the preacher talked for less than two hours He found churches which would normally accommodate 150 Americans taking care of 1000 members there

Wages for farm workers are about the same as for industry, with a new incentive program being developed where the farm worker will receive a bonus according to his crop production "One of the problems they have had is that workers don't care how much they produce," he said

Farm hands are paid about 100 rubles a month A ruble is about equal to one dollar in purchasing power The cost of living for the farm worker includes 10 rubles for rent and 80 rubles for food per month

He also will usually have a half-acre or an acre of ground for his own use Whatever they produce on these plots is theirs to sell at the going market value Zimmerman stated that 54 percent of the food in the USSR comes from these small plots

"Agriculture is by far their weakest point," Zimmerman said "However, the people are well fed There is no food rationing"

● Farm Women

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Elizabeth Workman

Donations were made to the Farm & Home Foundation and the Upper Room

The Society will sew at the General Hospital, Jan 18 Seals will be folded at Heart Haven on Jan 26

Delegates to the convention at Harrisburg, Jan 15 and 16 will be Mrs Bessie Graybill and Mrs Hiram Graybill

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs Clarence Keener, Manheim RD

After the business meeting, the Society entertained their husbands at a Christmas party

FARM WOMEN 26

Society of Farm Women 26 met recently at the home of Mrs Nelson Hess, 3231 Old Harrisburg Pike Mrs. Harold Esbenshade, president, conducted the business meeting

Nominations were made for delegates to the state convention at Harrisburg in January

The Society voted to give $15 to the Farm & Home Foundation for the new kitchen in their building and made plans to visit the County Home in February

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs John Brubaker, Manheim R2

FARM WOMEN 9

The Farm Women's Society 9 met recently at the West Willow Fire Hall Mr. Floyd McClenaghan gave the opening prayer

The speaker was Rev Theo Schneider of the Advent Lutheran Church, Lancaster

Yearbooks for 1968 were distributed and two delegates were appointed by the president to attend the State Farm Show Convention They are Mrs Irving Lamphere and Mrs Edward Brenneman

Next meeting will be held January 11 at the Colemanville Methodist Church

FARM SOCIETY 3

The Society of Farm Women 3 met recently at the Swamp U.C.C Educational Bldg., Reinholds R1. The hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Harold S. Stuber and Mrs Linda Stuber Special guest was Mrs Paul Witman, immediate past county president. The speaker was Mrs. William R. Weyant, member of the board of directors of Lancaster Council of Churches

Next meeting will be held on January 20 at the home of Mrs. Ivan Eberly, Ephrata R1.

FARM SOCIETY 27

Society of Farm Women 27 met recently at the Donegal Presbyterian Church. Delegates were selected to attend State Convention in Harrisburg during the Farm Show. They are Mrs John Hershey, President Mrs. Leon Schnupp, Mrs. Robert Shearer and Mrs Witmer Sherer.

Next meeting will be held on January 23 at the Leahmans Rest Home, Rheems. Members in charge of this program are Mrs. Harold Frey, Mrs Lester Hawthorne, Mrs. Robert Shearer and Mrs. Roy Sauder.

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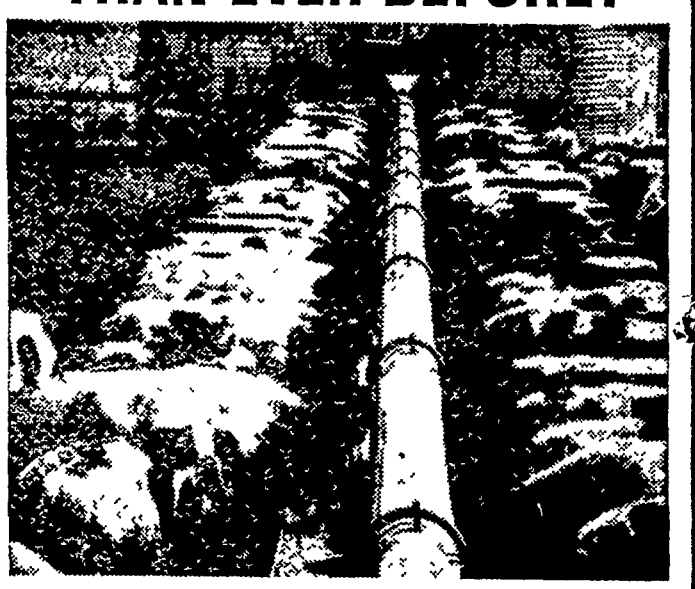

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In their new book, **The Water in Your Life,** William Laas and Dr. S. S. Beicos, technical director of the Water Conditioning Division, Morton Salt Company, explain that the water cycle is partially responsible for the water shortages that plague parts of the world. Water often evaporates from one place on the earth's surface and returns to another during the second stage of the cycle.

Water is evaporated continuously from its liquid state on the earth's surface by the sun's power. It becomes "water vapor" and rises as the sun's energy warms it. Eventually it meets cooler atmospheric conditions and returns to earth as rain, snow, hail or sleet. The cycle is endless because it is powered by the sun's limitless energy.

Since virtually none of our water ever has been lost, we reuse the same supply century after century. But water often evaporates from one place and returns to another, producing either flood or drought. This situation is made worse by people not always choosing to live under extreme circumstances where clean, fresh water abounds, such as on the eastern seaboard. Thus, we have to balance the more constant—more efficiently manage the variable supply that is available

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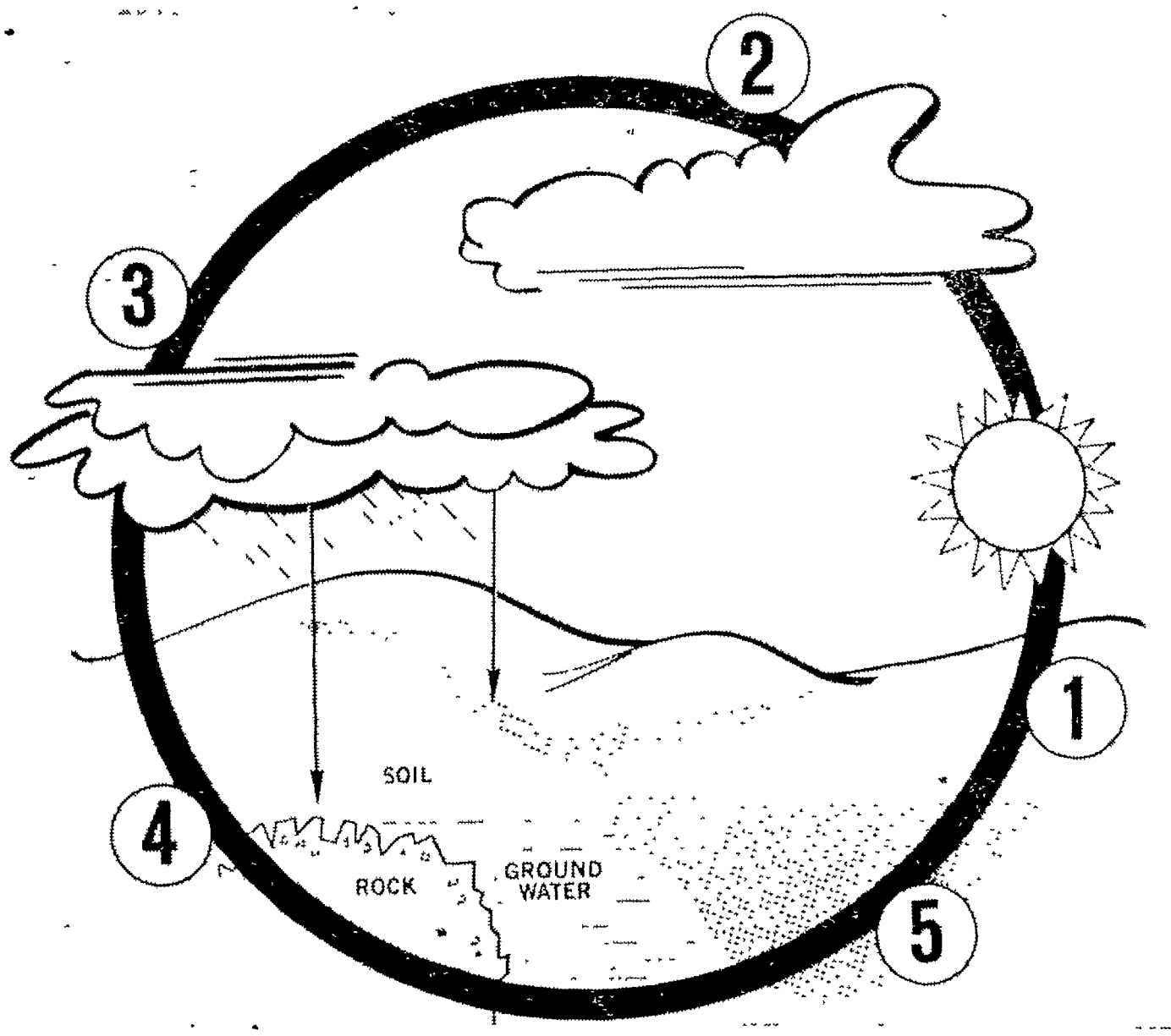
HYDROLOGIC CYCLE



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yet growing—demand

Because of evaporation displacement, reservoirs are not an ideal means of storing water; they may lose three feet of water in a year—billions of gallons at a time In addition, they take up land that could be put to use by our expanding population

New ways to conserve water are being perfected daily, among them treatment and reuse of sewage water, desalinization of sea water and storage in manmade underground reservoirs However, these two have drawbacks Reusing treated sewage water may seem unsavory to some (even though it is completely purified), and desalinization still is very costly For example, desalted sea water is dozens of times more expensive than that used for irrigation in this country.

A relatively new approach to the problem that has been successful in the few places where it has been tried is the creation of underground reservoirs — from which the water cannot evaporate, incidentally The water is "stored" deliberately in porous rocks or caverns far below the earth's surface As it seeps to the chosen storage areas, the water travels through layers of rock that filter out some of the impurities When needed, this water is recovered by processes similar to producing oil.

(At present, 95% of the world's usable fresh water is below ground through the workings of nature Some of this, which we know as well water, is pumped to the surface.) The story of water is fascinating, and the problem of solving water quantity and quality is only one of many that this recycling substance presents to man.

Cost Of Gain

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Cost of Gain on 1200 Pound Cattle 66 Percent Higher than for 1000 Pounders

Iowa State University computed the cost on a dollar and cents basis of carrying cattle to heavier weights With No 3 corn at $1 per bushel, the cost of putting on a pound of gain on cattle weighing 1100 pounds was 27 percent greater than when the cattle weighed 1000 pounds By the time the cattle reached 1200 pounds, the cost of putting on an additional pound of gain was 30 percent more than when the cattle weighed 1100 pounds — and a whopping 66 percent more than what it was at 1000 pounds If cattle are carried to weights beyond this, the costs go up even more rapidly.

It is important for everyone to recognize that every extra day in the feedlot costs the feeder twice—first in the added cost of gain and second, the price de-

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In addition to more costly gains and increased beef tonnage to depress prices, holding cattle to heavier weights produces less desirable and less valuable carcasses The demand for prime grade and heavyweight fed cattle is limited and easily saturated The retail preference is primarily for Choice grade carcasses weighing under 700 pounds—from cattle weighing not over 1,100 pounds.

Extra Weight Lowers Retail Value Also

The cattle feeder who is tempted to hold Choice grade cattle for another 100 pounds of gain needs to consider that much of the gain is excess fat that will weights with limited outlets.

Dog Owners

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peace, or alderman. Fees are $1 for each male or spayed female dog, and $2 for other female dogs, plus 20 cents to be paid to the issuing officer.

The state law also requires that all dogs must be confined within the premises of the owner, or firmly secured so that they cannot stray beyond the premises, or must be under reasonable control at all times.

Dog licenses for the current year must be attached to the collar or harness at all times.

significantly lower the retail value of the carcass per hundredweight.

For example, the retail value of carcasses from Choice cattle fed from 1,100 to 1,200 pounds may be lowered $1 to $1.25 per hundredweight by the increase in fat trimmings associated, with only ¼ inch additional fatness over the rib

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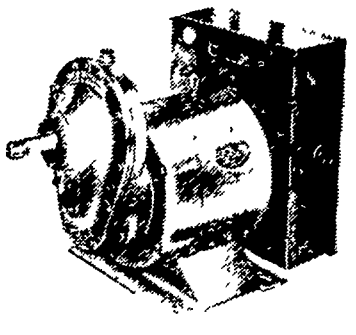

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WED. JAN 10, 1968, Blue Ball, Pa. 9:30 A.M.–Farm Equipment. We sell on commission, Paul Z. Martin.

FRI, JAN 12 at 12 noon — Klinger Farms Complete Herd Dispersal of farm machinery, milk equip., and produce, located 2 mi. E of State College, Pa., Centre Co, on Rt. 26. Terms by J. Kenneth Walker, owner, RD 1 Box 333, State College, Pa 16801

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SAT. JAN. 27 at 1 P M.—Public Sale of Valuable Dairy Farm, located 2 mi. S. of Quarryville, 1 mi. E. of Rt. 222, 14 mi. S. of Lancaster, in East Drumore Twp. Terms by Esther E Martin

SAT. JAN. 27, 1968 – Sugar Loaf Farm Sale, Box 1236 R1, Pa. Terms by Anna B Staunton, Virginia

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Pennsylvania Crops Set Record Yields

The spring of 1967 began with frequent precipitation, largely in the form of snow, which delayed planting, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service However, few farmers were complaining, with five consecutive drought years in the immediate background The adequate amounts of moisture received at this time, coupled with timely rainfall throughout the season, set the stage for some record yields in the Commonwealth Among the grain crops corn, barley, and rye established new record yields Winter wheat tied the record yield Oats yields were low because of poor harvesting conditions Fruit crops suffered substantial amounts of freeze damage during the winter and early spring months, with lowered production achieved as a result

Corn Production Sets New Record

Although planting was delayed slightly because of wet ground in the spring, the crop made good progress throughout the growing season Production of grain totaled 81 048 000 bushels, more than double the drought reduced 1966 production and half again as large as the drought affected 1961-65 average production. The average yield at 88 bushels per acre exceeded the previous record in 1961 by 16 bushels This yield was well above both the 49 bushel yield last year and the 64 6 bushel average yield Acreage for grain at 921,000 is 37 percent more than the 1966 acreage and 11 percent greater than average Lush growth achieved during the season reduced acreage needed to fill the silos in the State, with the additional acreage being harvested for grain High moisture grain has caused some harvesting problems this fall Silage acreage is 313,000 acres, '41 percent less than last year and 11 percent less than average Silage production is a record 5,008,000 tons 18 percent greater than last year and 31 percent greater than average A yield of 16 tons per acre was achieved, double the 1966 yield of 8 tons and well above the 11 tons average yield and a new record high

Winter Grains Establish Record High Yields

Barley and rye set record high yields in 1967, with winter wheat matching the record 1966 yield. The fall planting season was good, with a mild winter and adequate snow cover limiting winter damage. Adequate moisture was received in the spring to push the winter grains to maturity. Harvest was generally completed before the onset of wet weather in July. **Wheat** yield, 36 bushels per acre, is the same as the record yield established last year and above the 31 2 bushel average yield Production of wheat at 17,280,000 bushels is the highest since 1954 and is 20 percent and 19 percent above last year and average respectively. **Barley** production at 9,900,000 bushels is a new record high, and is 9 percent more than last year and 40 percent greater than average. This production was achieved on 165,000 acres, 6 percent above both last year and average The barley yield at 60 bushels per acre is a new record high The yield in 1966 was 58 bushels and the 5-year average 45 4 bushels per acre **Rye** yield is also a record high 31 bushels per acre, compared to the 1966 yield of 29 bushels and the average yield of 28 3 bushels Production is 558,000 bushels, the highest since 1958 This production is 1 percent greater than last year and 7 percent more than average

Hay Production Up

Production of all hay totaled 4,035,000 tons in 1967, up 18 percent from last year and 16 percent more than average This production was obtained from 2,049,000 acres; 1 percent fewer than last year, 2 percent below average, and the smallest acreage since 1867. The all hay yield of 1 97 tons per acre compares with 1.65 tons last year and 1 66 tons for average, and matches the record set in 1961 Frequent rains throughout the haying season made harvest difficult, and lowered the quality of hay stored.

Fruit Production Below Average

Apple production at 359 million pounds (7.8 mil. bu.) is the only Pennsylvania tree fruit not showing a decrease from a year earlier, being up 2% from last year but down 22% from average **Peach** production at 384 million pounds (800,000 bu) is 38% below the previous year and 65% less than average

DID YOU KNOW

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Fall Pig Crop 9 Percent Less

The fall 1967 pig crop in Pennsylvania totaled 328,000 head, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service This was 9 percent less than the fall 1966 crop of 360,000 and 4 percent below the 1961-65 average of 340,000. Sows farrowed June-November at 42,000 compares with 45,000 a year earlier The 5-year average fall farrowings is also 45,000 Average pigs saved per litter was 7.8 down slightly from the record high 8 0 pigs per litter last year but above the 5-year average of 7 6

Total pig crop for the year 1967 was 736,000, up 4 percent from the 1966 crop and 2 percent above the 1961-65 average Sow farrowings by months for the fall pig crop were: June, 5,000, July, 6,000; August, 10,000; September, 10,000; October, 7,000, and November 4,000.

Intended farrowings of 50,000 sows for the spring of 1968 compares with 53,000 farrowed in the spring of 1967 and a 5-year average of 53,000.

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